

KENNEDY TO KEEP EISENHOWER AIDE IN NEW POSITION

Names Civil Service Chief
to State Department Post
After Arrival in City

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President-elect John F. Kennedy named another Eisenhower Administration official yesterday to a high place in the incoming Administration.

His choice was Roger Jones, now chairman of the United States Civil Service Commission, to be Deputy Under Secretary of State for Administration. Mr. Jones is a Federal employe whose career service dates to 1933.

To replace Mr. Jones as head of the Civil Service Commission, Mr. Kennedy selected John W. Macy, now vice president of Wesleyan University at Middletown, Conn.

Mr. Kennedy flew to New York from Florida in the late afternoon.

At the airport he said that the responsibility in breaking relations with Cuba "rests with the President until Jan. 20."

Being Kept Informed

He also told reporters that the Eisenhower Administration was "keeping us informed" on developments in Laos.

Mr. Kennedy will make his headquarters at the Carlyle Hotel for a few days.

He conferred there at length with Robert S. McNamara, his Secretary of Defense-designate, in the early evening.

It was understood that one of their main concerns was the continuing argument within the Kennedy high command over the suggested appointment as Secretary of the Army of Gov. S. Ernest Vandiver of Georgia.

There have been many reports and rumors about Mr. Vandiver's likelihood of appointment. He has the strong backing of Georgia's two most influential Congressional leaders, Senator Richard B. Russell and Representative Carl Albert, who respectively head the Senate and House Armed Services Committees.

Opposed by Liberals

But he is opposed by Southern and Northern Democratic liberals because of his strong stand in opposition to racial integration both of the armed services and the public schools.

Concurrent with reports that Governor Vandiver had been turned down by the President-elect, Pierre Salinger, the Kennedy press secretary, reported last night that Mr. Kennedy on Wednesday had telephoned the Georgia Governor to ask whether he would be interested in the Army post if it were offered him.

Mr. Salinger said that Governor Vandiver replied he had not sought any position and had left open the question of whether he would accept it if offered.

Asked if this meant that Governor Vandiver now was the leading contender for the Army post, Mr. Salinger replied that the Governor was one of many being considered by President-elect Kennedy for designation as Secretary of the Army.

After a two-hour conference here with Mr. Kennedy, Mr. McNamara indicated that the selection of an Army civilian chief was still an open matter but would be settled within a few days.

Mr. McNamara, leaving the Carlyle Hotel after 7 P. M., told reporters his conversations with Mr. Kennedy had covered a wide range of defense problems, but had not dealt specifically with the breaking off of diplomatic relations with Cuba, the conflict in Laos, or the ordered return by the Eisenhower Administration of survive dependents from abroad to cut down the outflow of gold reserves.

Mr. McNamara, who was president of the Ford Motor Company, said in response to questions that he had completed the sale of his stocks and options that, taken along with his corporate salary, he had estimated would reduce his income

by about \$3,000,000 over the next three to four years.

Asked how Mrs. McNamara felt about this decision, he responded that she agreed with him that "the national interest" came above personal concerns.

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The President-elect's choice of Mr. Jones for the State Department post was the fourth major Eisenhower appointee that the new Administration has decided to keep in office.

The first Eisenhower men kept on were Allen W. Dulles as Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, and J. Edgar Hoover as Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Then followed Douglas Dillon, now Under-Secretary of State, who has been selected as Secretary of the Treasury.

Today Mr. Kennedy has scheduled a major conference on farm problems with the leaders of nine national farm organizations.

Before that, he will confer at breakfast with Prof. Richard E. Neustadt, on leave from Columbia University, to discuss problems of governmental organization and reorganization.

He will see Lawrence F. O'Brien of Springfield, Mass., a long-time political associate, at 10 A. M.

Mr. O'Brien resigned earlier this week as director of organization for the Democratic National Committee to become a special assistant to the President for personnel and Congressional relations.

Mr. Kennedy flew here from

Palm Beach by commercial jet yesterday afternoon, arriving about 4:30 P. M. He was aboard an Eastern Air Lines DC-8. An airline representative said it was the first time that any President or President-elect had traveled on a scheduled airliner.

Mayor Robert F. Wagner met him at the airport and rode to the Carlyle Hotel with him.

The 52-year-old Mr. Jones has been in Federal service since 1933. On March 9, 1958 he was appointed chairman of the Civil Service Commission by President Eisenhower.

In addition to holding the Legion of Merit and the Order of the British Empire for war services as a pilot attached to the Combined Chiefs of Staff, Mr. Jones is one of the first five persons named for the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Service.

Mr. Macy, 43, was a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Wesleyan in 1938 and served for the next twenty years with the Federal Government. From 1953 to 1958, he was executive director of the Civil Service Commission. He became executive vice president of Wesleyan in 1958.

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